

HOME-READING COURSE FOR CITIZEN-SOLDIERS

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This Course of 30 Daily Lessons Is Offered to the Men Selected for Service in the National Army As a Practical Help in Getting Started in the Right Way—It Is Informal in Tone and Does Not Attempt to Give Binding Rules and Directions—These Are Contained in the Various Manuals and Regulations of the United States Army, to Which This Course Is Merely Introductory.

THE ARMY SYSTEM OF TRAINING.

(Preceding lessons: 1. Your Post of Honor. 2. Making Good as a Soldier. 3. Nine Soldierly Qualities. 4. Getting Ready for Camp. 5. First Days in Camp. 6. Cleanliness in Camp. 7. Your Health. 8. Marching. 9. The Care of Feet. 10. Your Equipment and Arms. 11. Recreation in Camp. 12. Playing the Game. 13. Team Work in the Army. 14. The Team Leader. 15. Fighting Orders. 16. The Soldier's Duties. 17. Staff Branches of Service. 18. Staff Branches of Service—II. 19. Army Insignia.)

The average American who has a job assigned to him wants to do it well. He doesn't care to dawdle over the job and make a mess of it. Nor does he care to make it a halfway success. He is determined to make it a full and complete success in the shortest possible time.

It is assumed that you are starting your Army training in the American spirit. Since you are undertaking the job of becoming a citizen soldier you intend to be a good one. You don't want to waste any time in the process.

More than that, if you are ambitious and possess fair ability there is no reason why you should always remain a private soldier. It is right that you should want to advance, just as you want to advance in civil life. The Army is anxious to have you advance just as soon as you are ready.

You will not, of course, become a corporal or sergeant or win higher promotion until after you have thoroughly mastered the duties of a private. Nor will all the men who would like to win advancement easily obtain it. There is only one way to get ahead in the Army, and that is to follow conscientiously to the end a regular system of training laid out for everybody.

Your training will be practically the same as that through which your officers have advanced in the early stages of military training. Every man in the Army must go through it. Drill formations.

First, you will be instructed in the infantry drill, as set forth in the Infantry Drill Regulations. This is the foundation of all your training. It is divided into close-order drill and extended-order drill.

"Close order" is defined in the Regulations as "the formation in which the units in double rank, are arranged in line or in column with normal intervals and distances." Extended order, on the other hand, is "the formation in which the units are separated by intervals greater than in close order." These technical defini-

tions are clear enough to those who are already familiar with military terms, but probably require some explanation for most of the men who are reading this course.

The diagrams below show at a glance what is meant. Figure 1 represents a small body of men in double rank arranged in close order.

Figure 1. The space between men standing side by side in rank is called the "interval." In the American Army the standard interval is 4 inches, measured from the elbow of one man to the elbow of the man next to him. This gives room enough for free movement and the proper handling of arms and equipment during drill. The space between a man in the front rank and a man directly behind him in the rear rank is called "distance." The standard distance is 40 inches, measured from the back of the man in front to the breast of the man in the rear. In practice intervals and distance are, of course, not measured exactly. A well-trained soldier, however, soon learns to gauge them with sufficient accuracy and almost unconsciously keeps himself properly placed in relation to the men about him. It is essential that every man should learn to do this in order to maintain a reasonable degree of uniformity.

Figure 2 represents a body of men in double rank arranged in column. The same intervals and distances are observed as in the line formation.

Figure 2. An extended-order formation is represented below.

Figure 3. However, this is only one of an infinite number of extended-order formations. Intervals and distances may be irregular. This is the formation used for skirmishing and at other times when it may be desirable to have each man control his own movements without attempting to conform exactly to the movements of the other men.

During drill in close order you will retain "the position of a soldier." In extended-order drill you will usually, though not necessarily, be allowed to take the positions that are most comfortable.

You should get in mind at the very beginning these distinctions between close order and extended order. By understanding them you will see more clearly what is required of you and how you can get most benefit out of your training.

Four signals will precede over the world's in October, as usual, but they may operate under a new method. Formerly two umpires were assigned to guard the outfield foul posts. But this time, in addition to the umpire behind the plate, three officials may be stationed at the bases. The one at first base can watch foul balls hit in his direction. The umpire at the middle can devote his

attention to the base runners on whom close plays are made by the second baseman or the shortstop, while the umpire at third can decide not only the plays on the runners, but also pass judgment on drives along the foul line in left field. Those who advocate this plan argue that one field judge should not look after all of the bases and that the stationing of umpires at the foul posts is useless.

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MISS HELEN OWEN
Miss Helen Owen, who recently returned from France, where she had been driving an ambulance on the battle front, has returned to New York and has obtained a position driving a truck. After her first day's experience with New York's traffic she said she would rather be on the front driving amid shells.

TO MEN RECEIVE FRACTURES OF SKULLS

Two men suffered fractures of the skull Labor Day and numerous other accidents occurring in this city kept the emergency hospital attached on the jump. Charles Perry, 5 Stratford avenue, fell from a trolley car near the Stratford avenue barns and Rudolph Rasmussen, 344 Pembroke street, was struck by a trolley car on a streetcar at a junction in Main street. Both men's skulls were broken. They were taken to St. Vincent's hospital.

Advised by a friend when he complained of a sore throat to drink liquor, William Selepac, 321 Willard street, after taking a glass of it, tried to drink Bridgeport dry, with the result that he is now in St. Vincent's hospital in a serious condition. He collapsed yesterday afternoon in Beardsley park.

BRITISH ACCOUNT OF SUCCESS IN VICINITY OF YPRES

Wytchaete-Messines Ridge Attack, Third Big Battle In This Region

London, England.—The collapse of the British offensive as announced by the Kaiser has been fittingly repelled by the attack on the Wytchaete-Messines ridge, heralded by the simultaneous explosion at 3:10 a. m. on June 28 of 19 minutes of estimated aggregate of about 600 tons of high explosives, the shock of which was felt in London.

This new offensive is unique in that the massing of guns and troops, and the laying of the mine, had to be done under the observation of the enemy, who therefore knew it was coming, but apparently was again taken by surprise when it actually came off. Prisoners say that the attack was expected on the King's birthday, and that they were ready for it then; others say that supplies had not been brought up to them for five days, owing to the intensity of the bombardment heavier than any previous one, and the probability is that the defenders were dazed after so many days' shelling, culminating with these tremendous explosions, and so were taken by surprise in the end.

The German communiques refer to the preliminary bombardment more than the British. From the 2d to the 6th of June there is daily reference by the German staff to the "strong artillery duels." In the Wytchaete salient, on June 28 for instance, it was reported that "for days in the Wytchaete salient and neighboring sectors the artillery battle has increased to extreme violence during the course of the afternoon, and has continued far into the night."

The scope of the battle lies between Ypres and Armentieres, or Wipers and Armentieres, as the British soldier prefers to call them, and was fought over a front of about nine miles. "The operations," according to the British communiqué, "were continued methodically throughout the day (June 7), and were attended with complete success. The Messines-Wytchaete ridge, which has for over two and a half years dominated our positions in the Ypres salient, was stormed by our troops this morning."

This is the third great battle of this war that has been fought in the vicinity of Ypres, besides almost continuous local fighting, the first being in October and November, 1914, and the second in April and May, 1915, both against heavy odds in men and armament.

Opposite Ypres is a salient jutting into the German line, whence the German line, in its turn, forms a salient round the Wytchaete-Messines ridge, the northern end of which lies about three and a half miles south of Ypres. The village of Wytchaete is towards the northern end of the ridge, with Oostveerne village about three-quarters of a mile to the east of it, while Messines is situated at the southern end. The possession of this high ground, running up to about 300 feet, gave the Germans a commanding view and fire over the ground between it and Ypres, taking the Ypres salient in flank and rendering the holding of it by General Plumer's army a most difficult and worrying business for over two years.

The recent successful attack has nearly straightened the salient out and has given the British, in turn at last, the command of view and fire into the plain of Flanders. Sir Douglas Haig's telegraphic dispatch, published in London on June 9, shows how complete the British success was. So hammered were the Germans that they made no attempt to recover the lost positions during the night of the 7th and the night of the 8th. The first counter-attack was not made till some time during the afternoon by artillery or repulsed by infantry. Other counter-attacks made on Sunday, June 10, were similarly broken up. The prisoners taken were taken were given in an early report as 4,600, and more than 20 guns had been reported as collected.

Sir Douglas Haig points out in his dispatch the immense strength of the German position which formed a defensive belt of over a mile in depth, fortified and prepared with every care. "In short, no precaution was omitted that could be provided by the incessant labor of years, guided by the experience gained by the enemy in previous defeats on the Somme, at Arras, and on the Vimy ridge." In addition to this system of defense the enemy had the advantage of overlooking the British lines and could see all the preparations for the attack, including the laying of the network of rails for the bringing up of munitions.

The German communiqué of the 8th admits that the British succeeded as the result of numerous explosions in penetrating their lines and in advancing via Wytchaete and Messines, and then, after claiming to have driven the British back into the direction of Ypres, it says, "The British are withdrawing 'from the salient protruding towards the west into a previously prepared position between the bend of the canal (Ypres-Comine Canal) to the north of Holbeke, and the Douve basin two kilometers (1.24 miles) to the west of Warnefontaine, is an admission of having lost practically all the high ground on which forms the chord of the arc roughly formed by the salient."

Sir Douglas Haig ascribes the complete success due chiefly to the destruction caused by the mines, the violence and accuracy of the bombardment, the very fine work of the Royal Flying Corps, and the incomparable dash and courage of the infantry.

YESTERDAY'S ANNIVERSARIES.

Oliver Cromwell, the "Lord Protector of England," died on Sept. 3, 1658. The date of his death was also the anniversary of two of his greatest victories, for it was also on Sept. 3, 1650, that he defeated the Scotch at Dunbar, and on Sept. 3, 1651, that he gained his great victory over the royal army under Charles II, which ended the contest for the throne. Cromwell's life had been one of extraordinary diversity, and he had risen on the wave of revolution from the lowest to the highest station. No greater military genius ever appeared in England, and in statecraft he has had no equal on the English throne. On this date in the year 1763 a treaty of peace was signed between Great Britain and the United States at Paris.

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New London 4, Hartford 2.
Springfield 2, Worcester 1.
Portland 3, Lawrence 2.

(Afternoon Games)
Bridgeport 3, New Haven 0.
New London 3, Hartford 2.
Springfield 3, Worcester 2.
Portland 3, Lawrence 2.

Standing of the Clubs.
Won. Lost. P.C.
New Haven 65 33 .663
Lawrence 62 42 .596
New London 51 51 .500
Worcester 49 51 .490
Bridgeport 48 51 .485
Springfield 45 54 .455
Portland 45 57 .441
Hartford 39 64 .380

Games Scheduled For Today.
New London at Bridgeport.
Worcester at Springfield.
Lawrence at Portland.

Southern Association

Results of Yesterday's Games.
(Morning game)
Birmingham R. H. E.
Birmingham 2 7 2
New Orleans 5 3 6
Batteries—Hill and Smith; Kelly and Higgins.
Afternoon game—
Birmingham R. H. E.
Birmingham 0 3 1
New Orleans 0 3 0
(Called at end of sixth inning, rain.)

Batteries—Ponder and Smith; Robertson and Higgins.
At Atlanta (first game)—R. H. E.
Atlanta 2 10 4
Mobile 3 8 0
Batteries—Day and Pienich; Fulton and Kitchens.

Second game—
Atlanta R. H. E.
Atlanta 2 5 0
(Called end of sixth inning, darkness.)

Batteries—Hess and Perkins; Lohg and Griffin.
At Little Rock (1st game) R. H. E.
Little Rock 0 2 1
Memphis 1 6 1
Batteries—Tineup and Chapman; Prieste and Ruel.
Second game—
Little Rock R. H. E.
Little Rock 0 1 2
Memphis 4 5 0
(Called end fifth inning, darkness.)
Batteries—Palmer and Parker; McCall and Schmidt.
At Chattanooga (1st game) R. H. E.
Chattanooga 0 5 2
Nashville 2 5 0
Batteries—Merritt and McDaniels; Decatur and Street.
Second game—
Chattanooga R. H. E.
Chattanooga 0 3 0
Nashville 0 3 0
Batteries—Perdue and McDaniels; Cavet and Marshall.
Called end of seventh inning, darkness.

American Association

Results of Yesterday's Games.
(Morning game)
Louisville R. H. E.
Louisville 3 10 0
Columbus 1 3 1
Batteries—Shackelford and Kocher; Hamilton and Coleman. Blackburn.

(Afternoon game)—
R. H. E.
Louisville 2 5 1
Columbus 5 10 2
Batteries—Stroud and Clemmons; Louden and Blackburn.
At Kansas City (1st game) R. H. E.
Kansas City 5 13 1
Kansas City 9 10 1
Batteries—William, Bachant and Owens; McQuillan and Berry.

(Second game)—
R. H. E.
Kansas City 7 11 1
Kansas City 2 8 1
Batteries—Stevenson and Owens; Smith and Berry.

At Milwaukee (1st game) R. H. E.
St. Paul 1 3 1
Milwaukee 10 14 1
Batteries—Griner and Hoffman; Sherdel and Murphy.

(Second game)—
R. H. E.
St. Paul 2 3 0
Milwaukee 2 3 0
Batteries—Liefeld and Hoffman; Kerr and Murphy; Called end eighth; darkness.)

At Toledo (first game)—
R. H. E.
Toledo 7 6 2
Toledo 4 4 0
Batteries—Kantlehner, Dale and Schang; Keating, Brady and Crossin.

(Second game)—
R. H. E.
Toledo 3 6 0
Toledo 3 7 1
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(By Lee Page)
TERRIBLE "JIM" COATES, addPoy

Pop came home with his collar all soft yesterday, saying, Paw, this has bin one hot day. And after supper he sat out on the front steps without his coat on, saying, If a woman got a rite to be as young as she looks, a man's got a rite to be as cool as he feels.

That don't seem to make much sense, sed ma.
You cant expect much sense in weather like this, sed pop.

How wood you like to take a nice trolley ride? That awt to cool you off, sed ma.

The exertion wood kill me, sed pop. I coudent even get up enuff animation to put out my hand and stop a plate of ice cream.

And he kepp on setting there hot, and after a while Mr. Lewis came up, saying, Well, Potale, how about a little game of bowling.

It sounds good to me, sed pop. Wot? sed ma, wy Willyur, you surely cant be serious.

The doose I cant, sed pop. But think of the exertion in bowling, all that racing about, and those heavy balls and everything, sed ma.

O, I see your point, sed pop. Wy, that's largely imaginary. As a matter of fact, the rush of air that you create as you run with the ball is quite refreshing. Youve noticed that, havent you, Lew?

Menny a time, sed Mr. Lewis. And him and pop went to bowl, and me and ma went to a movie place, the sine outside saying, Cool as a cave inside. Wich it wasent.

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